

Women's Enrichment Weekend

Speakers Guidelines

General Overview

Presentations should be encouraging and uplifting. They give speakers the opportunity to be teachers of good things through:

- Sharing spiritual lessons learned through personal experience.
- Sharing practical guidelines on how to implement important spiritual principles in our lives.

What to avoid:

Presentations are not sermons, sermonettes, or bible studies and should avoid becoming doctrinal or corrective in nature. To create an environment as uplifting, inclusive, and spiritually focused as possible, some other areas that should be avoided include:

- Topics that are primarily applicable to only a particular segment of the audience such as singles, wives, or mothers.
- Topics that elicit strongly diverse points of view, such as advice on diet or health regimens.
- Topics that are primarily secular in nature and where abundant external resources are readily available to those interested.

Primary Presentations (30-45 minutes)

The format of primary presentations can vary widely depending on the topic being covered. They can be straight lecture, a combination of lecture and open discussion, or a workshop format breaking the audience out into smaller discussion groups.

Secondary Presentations (10-15 minutes)

Because of their shorter length, secondary presentations should focus on a single spiritual lesson learned through personal experience as it relates to the theme for the weekend. It is not necessary to reference scriptures, although it is okay to do so if they are integral to the lesson learned.